

1-1 By: Huffman S.B. No. 13  
1-2 (In the Senate - Filed August 7, 2021; August 7, 2021, read  
1-3 first time and referred to Committee on Jurisprudence;  
1-4 August 7, 2021, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 5,  
1-5 Nays 0; August 7, 2021, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	<u>Yea</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Absent</u>	<u>PNV</u>
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1-8	<u>Huffman</u>	<u>X</u>		
1-9	<u>Hinojosa</u>	<u>X</u>		
1-10	<u>Creighton</u>	<u>X</u>		
1-11	<u>Hughes</u>	<u>X</u>		
1-12	<u>Johnson</u>	<u>X</u>		

1-13 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
1-14 AN ACT

1-15 relating to dates of certain elections to be held in 2022.  
1-16 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:  
1-17 SECTION 1. Subchapter A, Chapter 41, Election Code, is  
1-18 amended by adding Section 41.0075 to read as follows:  
1-19 Sec. 41.0075. PRIMARY ELECTION: TEMPORARY PROVISION. (a)  
1-20 This section supersedes any conflicting statute with respect to a  
1-21 primary election to be held in 2022.  
1-22 (b) For the purposes of this section, a redistricting plan  
1-23 "becomes law" on the earlier of:  
1-24 (1) the date the governor signs an Act of the 87th  
1-25 Legislature relating to the composition of the State Board of  
1-26 Education, state legislative, or federal congressional districts;  
1-27 or  
1-28 (2) the date on which the time for gubernatorial  
1-29 action on an Act of the 87th Legislature relating to the composition  
1-30 of the State Board of Education, state legislative, or federal  
1-31 congressional districts expires under Section 14, Article IV, Texas  
1-32 Constitution.  
1-33 (c) If a redistricting plan adopted following the 2020  
1-34 federal census by the legislature that includes a State Board of  
1-35 Education, state legislative, or federal congressional district  
1-36 becomes law:  
1-37 (1) on or before November 15, 2021, the following  
1-38 dates related to the primary election for the election of officers  
1-39 for the district shall apply:  
1-40 (A) an application for a place on the general  
1-41 primary election ballot must be filed not earlier than November 29,  
1-42 2021, and not later than 6 p.m. on December 13, 2021;  
1-43 (B) the general primary election date is March 1,  
1-44 2022; and  
1-45 (C) the runoff primary election date is May 24,  
1-46 2022;  
1-47 (2) after November 15, 2021, and on or before December  
1-48 28, 2021, the following dates related to the primary election for  
1-49 the election of officers for the district shall apply:  
1-50 (A) an application for a place on the general  
1-51 primary election ballot must be filed not earlier than January 10,  
1-52 2022, and not later than 6 p.m. on January 24, 2022;  
1-53 (B) the general primary election date is April 5,  
1-54 2022; and  
1-55 (C) the runoff primary election date is June 21,  
1-56 2022; and  
1-57 (3) after December 28, 2021, and on or before February  
1-58 7, 2022, the following dates related to the primary election for the  
1-59 election of officers for the district shall apply:  
1-60 (A) an application for a place on the general  
1-61 primary election ballot must be filed not earlier than February 21,

2-1 2022, and not later than 6 p.m. on March 7, 2022;  
 2-2 (B) the general primary election date is May 24,  
 2-3 2022; and  
 2-4 (C) the runoff primary election date is July 26,  
 2-5 2022.

2-6 (d) If a plan for a State Board of Education, state  
 2-7 legislative, or federal congressional district becomes law on dates  
 2-8 included under more than one subdivision of Subsection (c), the  
 2-9 latest dates provided for the filing period and the general and  
 2-10 runoff primary elections of all of the subdivisions applicable to  
 2-11 the effective date of a plan shall apply. The county chair shall  
 2-12 conduct the drawing to determine the order of the candidates' names  
 2-13 on the general primary election ballot in accordance with Section  
 2-14 172.082(c) after the date of the applicable filing deadline.

2-15 (e) If a redistricting plan to which this section applies  
 2-16 has not become law on or before February 7, 2022, the secretary of  
 2-17 state shall set the dates of the filing period and the general and  
 2-18 runoff primary elections for the election of officers of the  
 2-19 districts to which this section applies. In setting dates under  
 2-20 this subsection, the secretary of state shall ensure the efficient  
 2-21 and orderly administration of elections and shall, to the extent  
 2-22 practicable, set dates in a manner that allows the same interval of  
 2-23 time in relation to the date of the election as would be provided by  
 2-24 the application of other law.

2-25 (f) A date set for the filing period or the general primary  
 2-26 election under Subsection (c) or (d) shall be the date of any filing  
 2-27 period provided under this code or of any general primary election  
 2-28 held under this code.

2-29 (g) Except as provided by this section, the secretary of  
 2-30 state shall adjust the schedule for canvassing election returns,  
 2-31 declaring results, or performing any other official act relating to  
 2-32 an election held on a date under this section as necessary for the  
 2-33 efficient and orderly administration of the election. To the  
 2-34 extent practicable, the secretary of state shall adjust schedules  
 2-35 under this subsection in a manner that allows the same interval of  
 2-36 time in relation to the date of the election as would be provided by  
 2-37 the application of other law.

2-38 (h) This section expires January 1, 2023.

2-39 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
 2-40 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
 2-41 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
 2-42 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
 2-43 Act takes effect on the 91st day after the last day of the  
 2-44 legislative session.

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